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Re: New U.S. Patent Application

LIGHT SEPARATION DEVICE, BLAZED GRATING DEVICE,

DIFFRACTION GRATING DEVICE, AND ILLUMINATION OPTICAL

SYSTEM

By: Jun ISHIHARA, Kohtaro HAYASHI, and Yuichiro ORI

Attorney Docket: 15162/03540

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following papers relating to LIGHT SEPARATION DEVICE, BLAZED GRATING DEVICE, DIFFRACTION GRATING DEVICE, AND ILLUMINATION OPTICAL SYSTEM, Jun ISHIHARA, Kohtaro HAYASHI, and Yuichiro ORI, inventors:

- (1) Specification (80 pages, including 46 claims and an abstract);
- (2) Unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney (8
   pages);
- (3) Formal Drawings (26 sheets);

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- (4) Transmittal letter (1 page) with PrintEFS Patent Application Bibliographic Data (2 pages); and
- (5) Transmittal letter (1 page) with three Certified Copies of Priority Documents (30 pages, 35 pages, and 44 pages).

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